



# The Rooks Report

many people, one community...putting Clayton First

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## Let's talk about it!

**"First Saturday Talk," June 4, 2016 at  
South Clayton Recreation Center 10am—12pm.**

### What's On Your Mind?

- Please share with us any stories or items that you would like to have put into this newsletter.
- We want your comments about what we are doing for you here in the district. Please provide us your positive feedback and we will post them in this newsletter (see our comments section on page 30).



Shana M. Rooks  
Clayton County Commissioner—District 3

Dear Constituents:

Spring has Sprung and I've experienced the worst allergies I've ever had resulting from the pollen. Nonetheless, Spring is such a beautiful season and I am happy to see it here.

Let me remind you to help your neighbors to keep your communities looking well groomed. Be mindful of the county's quality of life ordinances. You will find them listed here as a reminder. Please know, I introduced Resolution 2016-17 last month to develop a policy for communities to request street signs to be placed in their

communities. It was approved by the Board of Commissioners. Remember most of the streets throughout your community are public streets owned and maintained by the county; including the right-of-way. Transportation and Development (T and D) will now develop a process similar to our street light program by which neighbors signs petitions requesting specific signage and pay the cost for said signs.

I will send out specific information about our new Sign Ordinance in the next weeks to come.

In Service,

Shana M. Rooks, Esq.

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**Clayton County Fire &  
Emergency Services**

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**Phone: (770) 473-7833**

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**[www.ccfes.org](http://www.ccfes.org)**

## **NEWS RELEASE**

Contact: Battalion Chief David Vazquez

For Immediate Release

Public Information Officer

Date: 3/16/2016

(678) 614-5932

### **“Clayton County Emergency Management Releases New Preparedness app for Mobile Devices”**

**Riverdale, Ga.-** On Tuesday, March 15, 2016, Clayton County Emergency Management Director, Landry Merkison introduced the county's first mobile phone app, Ready Clayton, at the Board of Commissioner's meeting. The app was designed to help Clayton County residents stay safe and informed during emergencies. Launching just in time for tornado season, this app will allow the public to receive real time weather alerts, make a customized family emergency plan, provide disaster and safety guidelines and locations of shelters and emergency services.

“This app will simplify the process of creating an emergency plan, purchasing the necessary supplies for a ready kit, as well as, provide a means of instant communication between our citizens, thier families, and the County.” Emergency Management Director-Fire Chief, Landry Merkison said. “ We urge every citizen, as well as, their families to download and become familiar with this potentially life-saving app.”

The free app is available for download on iTunes and Google Play as **ReadyClayton**. For more information on how to prepare for severe weather, download the app or visit [www.readyclayton.com](http://www.readyclayton.com). Questions can be emailed to [ema@co.clayton.ga.us](mailto:ema@co.clayton.ga.us) or call 770-478-8271.

7810 Highway 85  
Riverdale, GA 30274

## **Garden Plots are now available!**

If you would like to reserve a plot, please give Steven VanDyke a call at 770-473-5465.



# Commissioner Shana M. Rooks

presents... **MEET THE  
CANDIDATES**  
for District 3 Commissioner



**April 12, 2016  
6:30pm to 8:30pm**

**South Clayton Recreation Center  
1837 McDonough Rd. • Hampton, GA 30228**  
(an invitation to all candidates has been extended)

## **New Parking Guidelines Coming To Clayton County**

Resolution—2016-17—A Resolution to establish the process for the petition for and placement of parking related signage within unincorporated Clayton County.

*Synopsis: The County wishes to establish a process for the petition for and placement of parking related signage within the unincorporated areas of Clayton County in an effort to deter prohibited parking on the right-of-ways of roads, streets, thoroughfares, and other avenues of travel.*



**Approved by Board of Commissioners on February 16, 2016.**

**Once the process for the petition has been established, you will  
be updated with that process.**

## ARTICLE II. - QUALITY OF LIFE CODE

Sec. 62-201. - Purpose and definitions.

(a) Purpose. The board of commissioners deems it in the best interest of the county and in furtherance of public safety and public welfare to enact certain requirements for the owners and occupants of real property which will require such property to be maintained in good repair, free from accumulation of rubbish and uncut vegetation, with pools and similar structures maintained in good repair or covered to prevent the breeding of mosquitoes, to provide for securing of vacant or abandoned structures and to control the parking of certain vehicles within residential districts of the county.

(b) Definitions. As used in this quality of life code the following definitions shall apply:

(1) Code official shall mean any county law enforcement officer, code enforcement officer of the police department, and any employee designated by the director of the department of community development.

(2) Notice shall mean a notice of violation of these regulations by personal service or service by certified mail or first class mail to the last known address of the party responsible for the violation. If the notice is returned showing that the letter was not delivered, a copy thereof shall be posted in a conspicuous place on or about the structure or property affected by such notice.

(3) Regulations shall mean the requirements set out in this quality of life code.

(4) Residential zoning districts shall mean all residential, multiple family, mobile home, or neighborhood mixed use zoning districts and agricultural zoned districts.

(Ord. No. 2007-182, § 2, 11-20-07; Ord. No. 2011-31, § 1, 3-15-11)

(e) After giving proper notice of a violation and five business days thereafter to correct the deficiencies, the county shall have the authority to enter the property and bring such structure into compliance with these regulations. The expense of such county action shall be charged against the property owner, become a lien on the property, and be collected by the same means, process and manner by which taxes are collected by the county.

(Ord. No. 2007-182, § 2, 11-20-07)



Sec. 62-202. - Maintaining property and vacant structures, nuisance and abatement thereof.

- (a) It shall be unlawful for the owner, occupant or person in possession of any real property to utilize such real property for the outside storage of any ice box, refrigerator, stove or other appliance, furniture, clothing, machinery, equipment, glass, iron, paper, cordage, or other waste material, including building rubbish, trash, garbage or similar items, without a special permit therefore issued by the director of the department of community development.
- (b) It shall be unlawful for the owner, occupant or person in possession of any real property to allow grass, weeds, and similar plants to grow on said property to a height in excess of ten inches. It shall be the duty and responsibility of every such owner, occupant or person in possession to keep the property clean and to remove from the premises all such abandoned or prohibited items listed in the quality of life code, including but not limited to dead trees, trash, rubbish, garbage, and the like.
- (c) It shall be unlawful for the owner, occupant or person in possession of any real property to allow a swimming pool, wading pool, hot tub or any similar structure to be in disrepair such that water can stand in the pool or structure and become a breeding ground for mosquitoes. All pools and similar structures must be in good operating condition with the water filtered and chlorinated or fully covered and any exposed water in the pool, structure or on the cover must be treated to prevent the breeding of mosquitoes.
- (d) The owner, tenant, or person in possession of any real property may be punished as provided in [section 1-12](#) of the Code of Clayton County for a violation of this section.

Sec. 62-203. - Abandoned or vacant buildings to be secured.

- (a) The owner or person in possession of any abandoned or vacant buildings or structures shall secure and board up such buildings or structures to prevent entry by animals, vermin or trespassers. The structure shall be deemed secure if the windows, doors and other openings are boarded up or in the case of solid doors, the doors are securely locked.
- (b) The owner or person in possession of any real property may be punished as provided in [section 1-12](#) of the Code of Clayton County for a violation of this section.
- (c) After giving proper notice of a violation and five business days thereafter to correct the deficiencies, the county shall have the authority to enter the property and bring it into compliance with these regulations. The expense of such county action shall be charged against the property owner, become a lien on the property, and be collected by the same means, process and manner by which taxes are collected by the county.

(Ord. No. 2007-182, § 2, 11-20-07)

Sec. 62-204. - Parking or storage of commercial vehicles, buses, trailers, trucks or equipment.

- (a) Except as authorized by subsection (b), in all residential zoning districts the parking of the following commercial vehicles is prohibited: limousines, flat bed trucks, dump trucks, tow trucks, transport wreckers, tandem axle trucks, cab-on-chassis trucks, tractor trailers, truck tractors without a trailer, wheeled attachments or trailers, buses, earth-moving machinery, semi-trailers, and any vehicle over 20 feet in length, or seven feet in height, or seven feet in width. Vehicles or equipment used exclusively for agricultural purposes on agricultural zoned property with three or more acres are permitted if parked outside the required front yard setback.
- (b) In all residential zoning districts, the parking of the following commercial vehicles is permitted:
- (1) An automobile, pick-up truck, van or SUV used to provide daily transportation to and from work. Such vehicle is limited to one and one-half ton carrying capacity and must be used exclusively by the resident.
  - (2) A commercial vehicle that is parked temporarily in conjunction with a commercial service, sale, delivery or pick-up.
  - (3) Where a home occupation business license has been issued to the resident, no more than one vehicle associated with the home occupation may be parked at the site. Such vehicle is limited to one and one-half ton carrying capacity and must be used exclusively by the resident.
- (c) In all residential zoning districts, the resident may park one unoccupied travel trailer, motor coach or pleasure boat owned or used by the resident exclusively for recreational purposes, provided that such vehicle or trailer has a current license plate. Such recreational vehicle or trailer shall be parked in the rear yard. Where the rear yard is not accessible by means of a driveway or alley or has insufficient clearance to meet the zoning requirements it may be parked on the front yard. In those instances where a recreational vehicle is to be parked in the front yard, only the paved driveway portion of such yard shall be utilized, and in no instance shall the recreational vehicle be parked closer than ten feet to the front property line. A recreational vehicle or trailer that is parked within a fully enclosed garage and without protruding therefrom shall not be in violation of this section.
- (d) With the exception of recreational vehicles and commercial vehicles parked temporarily in conjunction with a service, sale, delivery or pick-up, no vehicle with more than six wheels or two axles or that weighs more than 14,000 pounds or that is over 20 feet in length, or seven feet in height, or seven feet in width shall be parked in a residential zoning district.
- (e) The owner or person in possession of any real property or the vehicle operator, or both may be punished as provided in [section 1-12](#) of this Code for a violation of this section.
- (f) After giving proper notice of a violation and five business days thereafter to correct the deficiencies, the county shall have the authority to enter the property and bring it into compliance with these regulations by impounding any vehicle found parked on the property in violation of this section. The expense of such county action shall be charged against the property owner, become a lien on the property, and be collected by the same means, process and manner by which taxes are collected by the county. The impounded vehicle may be reclaimed by the vehicle's owner who shall be responsible for payment of the towing and storage fees, otherwise the vehicle shall be disposed of in accordance with state law.
- (Ord. No. 2007-182, § 2, 11-20-07; Ord. No. 2011-31, § 2, 3-15-11)

Sec. 62-207. - Basketball goals and courts.

- (a) Basketball goals attached to the principal residential structure or erected adjacent to and abutting the driveway of the principal residential structure shall be allowed in the front yard but not within the right-of-way of a public street or sidewalk. No such basketball goal shall be erected in such a manner that the play area for the basketball goal is located within any portion of a public right-of-way.
- (b) Portable goals are allowed in the front yard but must be relocated to the side yard after use.
- (c) No goal, including portable goals, shall be placed in the public street or right-of-way, nor will a goal, including a portable goal, be placed so that the public street or sidewalk is the court or playing surface for the basketball goal.
- (d) Any basketball goal or portable goal located within the public street or right-of-way is declared a nuisance. After giving notice of the violation by posting a notice on the basketball goal and sending a copy thereof by first class mail to the address where the basketball goal is located and giving five calendar days after the notice has been posted on the basketball goal to correct the deficiencies, the county shall have the authority to remove the nuisance basketball goal and take it to the county landfill. The expense of such county action shall be charged against the property owner, become a lien on the property, and be collected by the same means, process and manner by which taxes are collected by the county. The notice required by this subsection shall also be sent by first class mail to the last known address of the property owner if different from the resident.
- (e) If notice has been given by posting the illegally placed basketball goal or by mail to a property owner or renter regarding the illegal placement of a basketball goal on the county right-of-way within twenty-four months of a new or subsequent violation, the basketball goal is to be removed from the county right-of-way without further notice, taken to the landfill and the cost for the removal will become a lien on the property to be collected by the same means, process and manner by which taxes are collected by the county.
- (f) It shall be unlawful for the owner or person in possession of the real property to allow a basketball goal or portable basketball goal to be located on the real property in violation of this section.
- (g) When a county law enforcement officer or code enforcement officer of the county police department or any employee designated by the director of the department of transportation and development or the director of the department of community development finds a violation of this code section has occurred, a summons may be issued by such officer or designated employee to the owner or person in possession of the real property where the violation has occurred, and said owner or person in possession may be punished as provided in [section 1-12](#) of this Code.

(Ord. No. 2008-16, § 1, 1-15-08; Ord. No. 2008-107, § 1, 6-17-08)



# CLAYTON COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICES AUTHORITY, INC.

*First Quarter 2016*



*"Serving the community with a hand up - not a hand out."*

"Clayton County Community Services Authority, Inc. is committed to the amelioration of the conditions and circumstances of poverty of people of Clayton County and surrounding areas. The agency advocates for the disenfranchised and provides for the delivery of essential services through structured programs which are designed to improve the quality of life, self-sufficiency and promotes responsible community involvement."



LIHEAP (Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program) is a federally funded program that provides assistance to low-income households. This is a FREE program. LIHEAP makes a one-time payment toward the primary heating source for eligible families. The LIHEAP funds can assist with starting new services, stopping disconnections, and the delivery of propane gas. LIHEAP can also assist with account balances that are current as long as the household is qualified for the program. Clayton County Community Services Authority, Inc. provides LIHEAP assistance in the Clayton, Henry, and Fayette county service areas.

Since December we have assisted over 4,000 families. For more information and details on how to apply, please visit our website at [www.claytoncountycsa.org](http://www.claytoncountycsa.org) and select LIHEAP or call 404-363-0575.



## ERSEA Training

Clayton County CSA, Inc. Head Start Program held its annual Eligibility, Recruitment, Selection, Enrollment, and Attendance (ERSEA) Training for the Board of Directors and the Policy Council on Saturday, February 20, 2016.

The ERSEA training is required for the Board of Directors and Policy Council to ensure that they understand Head Start eligibility determination policies. This training was very informative, they were presented with Part 1305 Final Ruling new and revised updates, and participated in group exercises.

The next ERSEA Training is scheduled for Friday, March 18, 2016 for the Head Start Program staff. They will learn about changes in the requirements and procedures.

## Safety First

The Transportation and Weatherization staff will participate in First Aid and CPR Training on Thursday, April 7, 2016. The drivers and staff are required to attend this annual training. They will receive a certificate of completion at the end of the course.



They will learn how to respond to first aid and CPR emergencies, such as cuts, burns, head, neck and back injury; cardiac and breathing crisis. We are committed to ensuring our passengers are safe.

## Experience Works at CSA

We are proud to announce the partnership between Clayton County CSA, Inc. and Experience Works, a senior employment program. The senior employees are paid directly from Experience Works. We currently have Experience Workers at our Transportation Office, Head Start Centers, and in the Community Support Department.



Experience Works started in 1965 as Green Thumb, Experience Works is putting decades of how restoring the dignity that employment brings to someone's life. As a cornerstone of those efforts is the Senior Community Service Employment Program which begun as part of the War on Poverty.

Today, Experience Works is using the newest and most effective tools available to help older workers become job ready. By building partnerships with community colleges and other valuable partners, Experience Works participants are living proof that you are never too old to learn something new. Computers and new blended learning techniques are closing the digital divide by providing older workers with the skills they need today.

*Experience Works "Improving the lives of older people through training, community service and employment."*

*If you are interested in learning more about  
Experience Works please contact:*

*Wylene Thorpe,  
Employment & Training Coordinator*

*526 Forest Parkway, Suite F*

*Forest Park, GA 30297*

*Office:404-500-1547*

*[wylene\\_thorpe@experienceworks.org](mailto:wylene_thorpe@experienceworks.org)*



Did you know you could support Clayton County Community Services Authority, Inc. just by shopping at Kroger?

It's easy when you enroll in Kroger Community Rewards®! To get started, sign up with your Plus Card and select Clayton County CSA, Inc. (97624). Once you're enrolled, you'll earn rewards for Clayton County CSA, Inc. every time you shop and use your Plus Card!

Please enroll now at  
[krogercommunityrewards.com](http://krogercommunityrewards.com)

Thanks for your support!

## Plant for the Future

We must remain optimistic, the seeds we plant will bloom into trees of new ideas to build our security nest. The branches of economy, employment, education, insurance, etc. will grow and the roots will be the foundation for future generations to carry on the responsibility with less burdens from the present mishaps and choices of today. Water your tree by familiarizing yourself on politics, finances and world news; it is important to know the current events to begin planning for the future.

*Plant the seeds to secure new roots for your future.*



## Meet Our New Elections and Registration Director Shauna Dozier

Shauna Dozier is a native of Franklinton, North Carolina and has been a resident of Georgia for 14 years. She earned her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Political Science from North Carolina Central University, in Durham, North Carolina. Shauna has served as the Voter Education Coordinator in the Northwest Region of Georgia for the Georgia Secretary of State Elections Division, the Assistant Supervisor of Elections in Rockdale County Board of Elections and Voter Registration in Conyers, Georgia, the Administrative Coordinator-Elections as well as the Registration Chief in the Fulton County Board of Registration and Elections in Atlanta, Georgia. Additionally, Shauna is a certified Georgia Registrar Official (GROC) and Georgia Election Official (GEOC). She is excited about serving the Clayton County community.



Welcome Shauna to Clayton County!

## April 2016

April 6, 2016

**CAMP ALL FOR ONE REGISTRATION BEGINS** - Sign up for our summer camp and enjoy the fun of supervised activities! For more information, please contact your local recreation center.



April 9, 2016

**WILD AZALEA FESTIVAL** - 11:00am until 4:00pm Enjoy guided hikes, live animal shows, nature center exhibits, face painting, native azalea showcases, hands on workshops, native plant sales, informational booths from local environmental organizations and much more! FREE Event.

April 30, 2016

**MOTHER DAUGHTER DAY OF LOVE** - Mothers will be pampered and given an opportunity to learn about hair and makeup with their daughters. FREE Event from 12-4pm at Jim Huie Recreation Center.



# CAMP ALL FOR ONE 2016

## CAMP HOURS AND DATES:

**June 6 - July 29, 2016**

**Monday - Friday (7:00am - 6:00pm)**

**Ages 5-13**

## REGISTRATION

**Begins April 4, 2016**

**Monday - Friday 9:00am - 7:00pm**

**Saturday 10:00am - 5:00pm**

**\* Original birth certificate is required to register**

**\* Age control Date: June 6, 2016**



## Space is Limited!

### FEES

**\$25.00-Registration Fee (One Time)**

**\$55.00 per child/ per week  
(County Resident)**

**\$80.00 per child/per week  
(Non-County resident)**

**\*Breakfast & Lunch will be provided\***

**\*Parents are encouraged to send a snack daily\***

### Carl Rhodenizer Recreation Center

3499 Rex Rd  
Rex, GA 30273  
(770) 472-8042  
Contact: Tori Moses

### Virginia Burton Gray Recreation Center

1475 E. Fayetteville Rd  
Riverdale, GA 30274  
(770) 603-4001  
Contact: Wanda McDowell

### Jim Huie Recreation Center

9045 Tara Blvd  
Jonesboro, GA 30236  
(678) 479-5134  
Contact: Fallon Burgess

### South Clayton Recreation Center

1837 McDonough Rd  
Hampton, GA 30228  
770-347-0200  
Contact: Demarrio Houston

## THERAPEUTIC RECREATION CAMP IS AVAILABLE!

Therapeutic Recreation Camp is a camp designed specifically for individuals with special needs, ages 6-21, and will be held at Carl Rhodenizer Recreation Center. There are special requirements for this program, a Parent-Child Interview must be conducted before registering.



## SUMMER CAMP PAYMENTS ARE NON-REFUNDABLE

*"We Connect Communities through People, Parks, and Programs"*



**FREE**

# Wild Azalea Festival

Saturday, April 9, 2016, 11am-4pm



**Reynolds Nature Preserve  
5665 Reynolds Road  
Morrow, Georgia 30260  
770-603-4188**

Enjoy guided hikes, live animal shows, nature center exhibits, face painting, native azalea showCase, hands on workshops, native plant sales, informational booths from local environmental organizations and much more!



[www.claytonparks.com](http://www.claytonparks.com)







# Mother Daughter Day of Love

*K.D. Tisdale*

Arts & Crafts, Performances,  
Healthy Living Tips,  
Healthy Hair Solutions,  
Refreshments & much more...

Saturday  
April 30, 2016  
12:00pm - 4:00pm

Jim Huie Recreation Center  
9045 Tara Blvd.  
Jonesboro, Georgia 30236  
RSVP to Fallon Burgess  
(678) 479-5133  
[www.claytonparks.com](http://www.claytonparks.com)

(Ladies Ages 8 and Up)



# Clayton County Parks & Recreation Department Presents

# GEORGIA KIDS OUTDOORS



**We will choose twelve students to attend a three day, all expense paid trip to Fortson 4-H Center in Hampton, Georgia.**

In an effort to support the Georgia Children's Outdoor Bill of Rights, former State Representative Glenn Baker, Lake Spivey Community, Clayton County Parks and Recreation Department, Southern Regional Medical Center NICU and many other community sponsors partnered to host our 7th Annual Lake Spivey Road Race. Proceeds from the 2015 Road Race will go toward scholarships for children to participate in outdoor activities during a three day trip to Fortson 4-H Center during the summer of 2016. Scholarship contestants must reside in Clayton County, Georgia and be 14 years old or younger and enrolled in the 7th or 8th grade.

**Please call (770) 477-3766  
to obtain additional information about the program.**



**Trip: July 15-17, 2016**  
**[www.claytonparks.com](http://www.claytonparks.com)**



## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The following list highlights activities that should be experienced by the age of 14 as outlined by the Georgia Children's Outdoor Bill of Rights:

- Discover Georgia's Past
- Splash in the water
- Play on a team
- Play in a safe place
- Camp under the stars
- Follow a trail
- Explore nature
- Learn to swim
- Catch a fish
- Celebrate their heritage

Scholarship contestants must reside in Clayton County, Georgia, be 14 years old or younger and currently enrolled in the 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Each applicant will be required to write an essay (250 words or less) describing the outdoor activity they wish to participate in. Applicants must include one of the ten activities listed above to write their essay, as well as this completed scholarship application form. Submissions can either be typed or hand written and can be emailed to [claytonparks@co.clayton.ga.us](mailto:claytonparks@co.clayton.ga.us) or mailed to:

Clayton County International Park  
Georgia Kids Outdoors  
Marketing & Sales Office  
2300 Highway 138, SE  
Jonesboro, GA 30236

All submissions must be postmarked by midnight April 30, 2016. Please continue to check the website at <http://claytonparks.com/kids-outdoors.aspx> for additional updates or changes.

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, Zip, State: \_\_\_\_\_

School Name: \_\_\_\_\_ City, Zip, State: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Authorization \_\_\_\_\_  
(Print Name) (Signature)

*Please contact the Clayton County Marketing and Sales Office for questions or concerns: (770) 603-4005*





Clayton County  
**Senior Services**  
Department  
*Changing the face of aging*

**J Charley Griswell Senior Center**  
2300 Highway 138 SE | Jonesboro, GA 30236  
770-477-3499 main | 770-477-3491 fax  
Mondays 8:00 am - 8:00 pm  
Tuesday - Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

## Special Events

### POOL AND FITNESS BLOCK PARTY

In celebration of fitness and the upcoming spring season, we are hosting a pool and fitness block party to promote and encourage members to continue a fitness-filled healthy lifestyle. Enjoy games, music, dancing, prizes and light refreshments.

Friday, April 8th from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

### SPRING FITNESS EXPO

Springtime is here, and it's a perfect time to not only start your spring cleaning but also clean up your fitness regimen. Griswell's Fitness Instructors will help you move forward with your fitness buddies by exploring exiting ways to bring healthy meals and more physical activity into your life.

Monday, April 25th from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

## Education/Enrichment Classes

### BASIC COMPUTER

Instructor: Staff

Mondays from 10:00 am - 11:00 am

### BASIC DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY

Instructor: Stanley Coleman

Do you ever wonder how you can show all of your photos? This class will teach you how to make a digital film using your treasured photos.

Wednesdays from 10:00 am - 11:30 am

### CERAMICS

Instructor: Gail Humphrey

Learn how to design, paint and personalize your own piece.

Mondays from 9:30 am - 11:30 am

### QUILTING

Instructor: Staff

Mondays from 4:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Tuesdays - Fridays from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Tuesdays - Fridays from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

## Fitness Classes

### ARTHRITIS AQUATICS

Arthritis got you stiff? Try our Arthritis Aquatic Class. This class is a 45 minute workout consisting of safe and approved Arthritis foundation exercises, stretching and aerobic exercise for increase flexibility and decrease of pain. The class uses movements approved by the Arthritis Foundation.

Instructor: Debbie West

Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11:30 am - 12:15 pm

Instructor: Jackie Fears

Fridays from 9:00 am - 9:45 am

### ZUMBA

Instructor: Zakia Banks

Experience an energetic combination of salsa, meringue and many other international dance steps delivered as a Latin-inspired fitness class.

Mondays from 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm

## BEGIN SWIM

Instructor: Jackie Fears

Learn how to overcome your fear of water and swim like a pro.

Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:00 am - 10:00 am

## AQUA SCULPTING

Instructor: Johnny Furlow

Experience building muscular strength and endurance in this fast paced class. Use resistance equipment such as tubing, hand buoys, and medicine balls for upper and lower body.

Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

## ADVANCED DANCERCISE

Instructor: Staff

Enjoy a full body workout while learning the latest dance. Exercise to oldies but goodies, while learning the latest dances. This class is a step above beginner's Dancercise.

Wednesdays from 10:00 am - 10:45 am

## Trips

### MENOPAUSE THE MUSICAL

If you have experienced "the change", you can relate. Enjoy an evening of laughs and share the experiences of the joys of menopause in Menopause the Musical. Have dinner on your own at a nearby restaurant. Please be advised that this date is tentative; more information will be available at a later time.

Friday, April 1st from 3:00 pm - 12:00 am

### ETHEL (ALLIANCE THEATRE)

Take a look into the successful life of the legendary performer Ethel Waters in the hit show "Ethel". Actress Terry Burrell tells her story in this one-woman act performed with music.

Tuesday, April 12th from 3:00 pm - 12:00 am

### DREAM GIRLS (ATLANTA LYRIC THEATRE)

Drama, Triumph, Tribulation, Fame and Fortune! Join Griswell as we travel to the Jennie T. Anderson Theatre to see the Atlanta Lyric Theatre's production of Dreamgirls. This classic tells the story of a rising girls group in the 1960's and their struggles making it into the music industry.

Tuesday, April 21st from 3:00 pm - 12:00 am



Clayton County  
**Senior Services**  
Department  
*changing the face of aging*

**Frank Bailey Senior Center**  
6213 Riverdale Road | Riverdale, GA 30274  
678-479-5505 main | 678-479-5522 fax  
Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Thursdays 8:00 am - 8:00 pm

## Special Events

### IS RECYCLING FOR ME?

Did you know that recycling is proven to save money and resources and it also makes you a better steward of your environment? This program reviews the benefits of recycling where you'll learn the what, how, and why we should recycle and even compost.

Tuesday, April 5th from 10:00 am – 11:00 am

### ADVISORY BOARD AUCTION

The Frank Bailey Senior Center's Advisory Board will host an auction. Donated items will be accepted for the auction by the Advisory Board members.

Friday, April 8th from 2:00 pm – 4:30 pm

### FINANCIAL EXPLOITATION

This educational program will explain some of the current scams and how to protect yourself.

Tuesday, April 12th from 1:30 pm – 2:30 pm

## Fitness Classes

### AQUA FITNESS

**Instructor: Noreen Rogers**

Enjoy a low impact fun workout in our heated pool.

**Wednesdays from 2:00 pm – 3:00 pm**

### ZUMBA GOLD

**Instructor: Cecile Bennett**

Zumba mixes effective body sculpting and toning with easy to follow dance steps.

**Tuesdays & Thursdays from 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm**

### IN MOTION I

**Instructor: Staff**

This is a beginner In-Motion class that will be taught at a slower pace. The class will start with warm-ups going into free style dancing and ending with stretching the body.

**Wednesdays from 12:00 pm – 12:30 pm**

## Arts/Educational Classes

### COMPUTER KEYBOARDING

**Instructor: Staff**

Learn the basic steps for operating a computer.

**Thursdays from 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm**

### COMPUTER WITH TONY

**Instructor: Tony Antoine**

Learn how to operate Microsoft Excel and PowerPoint, how to e-mail, use digital images and surf the Internet.

**Check Center Calendar for schedule**

### SCULPTING WITH CLAY

**Instructor: Lynda Moore**

Create a masterpiece! Learn the art of sculpting and techniques to create different types of art.

**Fridays from 1:00 pm – 4:00 pm**



## Trips

### MARTHA BERRY HOME & MUSEUM

Enjoy a trip to Rome to see the Martha Berry Museum and Home Place. The tour begins with a brief film on the life of Ms. Berry and Berry College. After that there will be a guided tour of the museum.

Wednesday, April 6th from 8:30 am – 4:00 pm

### THE WORLD OF COCA - COLA

You'll enjoy a fun and interactive day at the World of Coke-Cola with a self-guided tour throughout the building which includes the secret vault, 3D shows, exhibits on the history of Coke, and the tasting room. Come out and have fun! Lunch on your own at the Pemberton Cafe across from the World of Coke.

Tuesday, April 19th from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm

### GEORGIA SPORTS HALL OF FAME

On this trip we'll check out the different athletes from Georgia, have a guided tour of the Hall of Fame and then enjoy lunch on your own at S&S Café.

Thursday, April 21st from 8:30 am – 4:30 pm

### WOODSTOCK OUTLET

Tuesday is Senior Day at Woodstock Outlet. Check out the outlet and shop for good deals.

Tuesday, April 26th from 8:30 am – 4:00 pm







Clayton County  
**Senior Services**  
Department  
*changing the face of aging*

## Kinship Resource Center

849 Batle Creek Road | Jonesboro, GA 30236

770-473-5788 main | 770-477-3421 fax

Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 7:00 pm

*Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Program*

## Classes for Adults

### HOW TO BLUETOOTH

You'll learn how to hook up and utilize Bluetooth enabled devices.

Adults: Tuesdays beginning April 12th through 26th  
from 11:00 am – 12:00 pm

### POWER & PERSUASION

Want to communicate with purpose and influence? Join us for a powerful workshop that will give you the skills needed to recognize and interpret body language, use power phrases, and get your point across the first time.

Adults: Thursday, April 14th  
from 10:00 am – 11:00 am

### MEN'S MOVIE AFTERNOON

If you're like most men in relationships, your significant other chooses the movie, right? Enjoy a movie at Kinship with no input from women.

Men Only: Wednesday, April 27th  
from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm

## Classes for Youths/Teens

### RAINY DAY FOOTBALL

Like to play football but it's raining outside? Like football but don't really have the physical skills to play the game? All is invited to play this indoor game with no running or tackling necessary.

Teens: Thursday, April 14th from 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

### BIG BALL VOLLEYBALL

Classic volleyball with a twist.

Youth: Thursday, April 14th from 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

### ESSAY WRITING TIPS

Writing will be a part of your life in high school, college and beyond. Learn good strategies now on how to write effectively.

Teens: Thursday, April 21st from 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

### GERMS AND HYGIENE

Learn about germs, how they travel, and what they do.

Youth: Thursday, April 21st from 5:30 pm – 6:30 pm

### PRE-SCHOOL OBSTACLE COURSE

Obstacle courses are like carnivals of movement to children. They invite, they challenge and they satisfy while always leaving children begging, "Can we do it again? Can we do it again?"

Pre-school: Thursday, April 21st  
from 6:00 pm – 7:00 pm





## CCWA's Upcoming Events:

CCWA will host its monthly Small Local Business Enterprise (SLBE) Certification workshop on at the CCWA Marie Barber Community Use Room, 1600 Battle Creek Road, Morrow, GA 30260.

The next workshop dates are scheduled as follows:

April 12<sup>th</sup>

9-10:30 am

To register for workshops please visit [www.ccwa.us](http://www.ccwa.us) or email [ccwa\\_slbe\\_program@ccwa.us](mailto:ccwa_slbe_program@ccwa.us).



Learn how to effectively market and brand your small business for potential growth.



## CLAYTON COUNTY WATER AUTHORITY

Hosts

### Marketing and Branding Workshop For Small Business

Date: April 5, 2016

Time: 10:00 am- 12:00 pm

Where: Clayton County Water Authority  
Marie Barber Community Use Room  
1600 Battle Creek Road  
Morrow, GA 30260

Training provided by Beak Consulting

Must RSVP to attend this **FREE** event. Space is limited so register early.

Please register by one of the following:

Registration link: [Register Marketing and Branding Your Business](#)

Email: [ccwa\\_slbe\\_program@ccwa.us](mailto:ccwa_slbe_program@ccwa.us)



# Clayton County Water Authority's Free Household Hazardous Waste Amnesty Day For Clayton County Residents

Saturday, April 23, 2016

10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

W.B. Casey Water Reclamation Facility  
Enter at 8890 Roberts Road, Jonesboro  
(Off of Flint River Road)

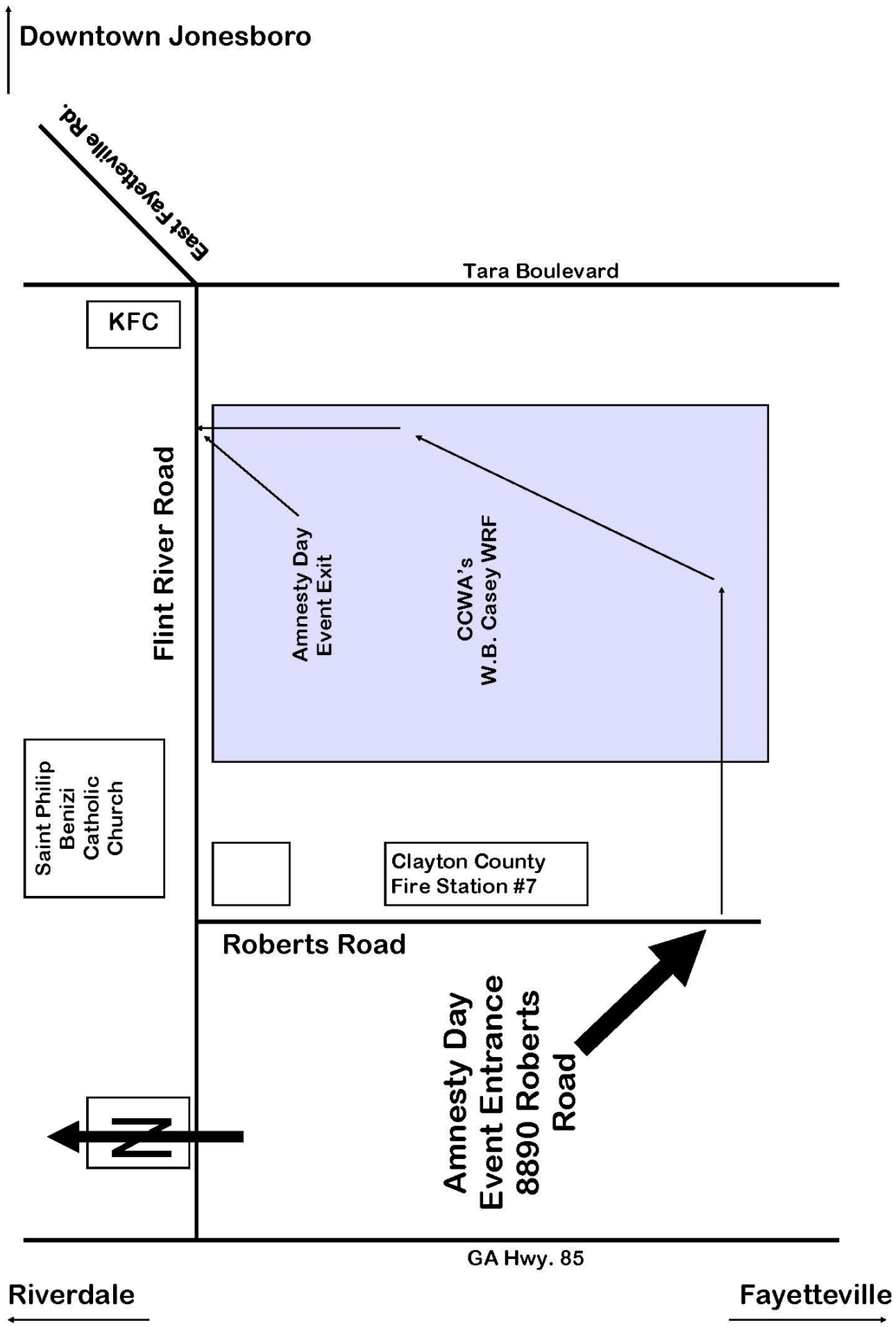
Participants must show proof of residency  
(such as drivers license or water bill).

Only the following items  
will be accepted:

- Household Paints (Latex & Oil)
- Oven Cleaners
- Cooking Oil/Grease
- Aerosols
- Bleaches & Chlorine
- Drain Cleaners
- Fluorescent Bulbs
- Automotive & Household Batteries
- Motor Oil/Transmission Fluid/Antifreeze
- Paint Thinner
- Wood Strippers
- Pesticides & Herbicides
- Insect Sprays & Rodent Killers
- Fire Extinguishers
- Propane & Butane Tanks
- OTC & Prescription Medications

For more information, go to  
[www.ccwa.us](http://www.ccwa.us) or call 770.960.5200.









# *Grand Opening* OF **LEE STREET PARK**

**155 LEE STREET JONESBORO GA, 30236**



## **SAT. APRIL 23, 2016**

**PARK OPENS AT 4:00 P.M.**

**(FUN, FOOD & ENTERTAINMENT FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY).  
GRAND OPENING CEREMONY BEGINS AT 6:00 P.M.**

**HEADLINING ARTISTS: GRITZ & JELLY BUTTER,  
ROBBIE PARKER BAND, LEONARD JULIEN AND MANY MORE  
WILL ALSO FEATURE A FIREWORK DISPLAY.**

**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION OR TO OBTAIN INFORMATION  
REGARDING SPONSORSHIPS & VENDORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES,  
PLEASE EMAIL [RCLARK@JONESBOROGA.COM](mailto:RCLARK@JONESBOROGA.COM)**



## April, May, June 2016 @ The Lovejoy Library

### Adult Programs

#### Laughter Yoga Wellness

Every 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday April 5 & May 3 (12:00pm-1:00pm)

Laugh your way to health and wholeness through "laughter and breathing" exercises designed to keep you laughing without jokes. "Laughter Yoga Wellness" with Josie is the most fun you will ever have in an exercise class while you enjoy the naturally built in benefits of deep breathing, rhythmic movement and laughing.

Reservation Required. Participant Limit: 30

#### CLASES DE MICROSOFT WORD, POWERPOINT BASICO Y BUSQUEDAS EN INTERNET EN ESPAÑOL

Every Thursday, April 7,14,21,28

May 5,12,19,26

June 9,16,23,30

(11:00 am-1:00pm)

Las clases se dictarán en Español y son gratuitas. Para inscribirse por favor llame al teléfono 770-472-8129. Reservation Required. Participant Limit: 10

#### Card Gamers Club

Every Monday, (11:30-12:30)

Bridge, Gin Rummy, Spades and more. If you like playing card games, this is the place to be. Bring your favorite deck, and come with a friend or make a new one. Then get ready to play some cards. For adults only. Reservation Required. Participant Limit: 30

#### Color Your Way to Calmness

Every Monday (12:30pm-1:30pm)

Coloring books are no longer just for the kids. Adult coloring books bring pattern and relaxation to stressful days. Spend quiet time while coloring designs copied from a wide variety of coloring books on to an assortment of paper. The library will provide the colored pencils and coloring sheets. Reservation Required. Participant Limit: 30

#### eBook Assistance

Friday April 1, May 6, June 3 (11:00am – 12:00pm)

Come and learn how to borrow eBooks from the library. Bring your library card and compatible eReader, laptop, tablet or mobile device.

Reservation Required. Participant Limit: 30

Clayton County Library System

*Lovejoy Branch*

1721 McDonough Road

Hampton, Georgia 30228

For Information Call 770-472-8129

[www.claytonpl.org](http://www.claytonpl.org)



# April, May, & June 2016 @ The Lovejoy Library

## Children's Programs

## Teen Programs

### **Recurring Child/Event Storytime**

Every Wednesday,  
(10:30am-11:15am)  
Join us for stories, crafts, music, dance and  
lots of laughs! Ages 3 and older

### **Teen Movie Monday**

Every Monday, April, May, June 2016  
(4:00pm-5:30pm)  
The Lovejoy Library will be hosting Teen  
Movies on Mondays. Movies are geared for  
middle school to high school grades. Light  
snacks will be served during each movie.

### **Edible Book Day**

Friday, April 1, 2016 (4:00pm-5:00pm)  
Edible books are created and displayed for  
consumption. It's the perfect way to eat your  
words. All ages

### **Reading is Funny Day**

Wednesday, April 6, 2016  
(10:30am-11:15am)  
Having trouble getting your child to put down  
the video games and pick up a book? This just  
might be the program for you. Join us for the  
most fun you'll have in a long time. There will  
be stories, jokes, music, dancing, surprises  
and oh yeah reading! Ages 3 and older

### **After School Club**

Every Wednesday, April, May, June 2016  
(3:30pm-5:30pm)  
The Lovejoy Library will be hosting an  
Afternoon School Club Wednesdays. An  
enrichment for teens to have some fun with  
their peers, chatting or playing games  
together. Program is geared for middle school  
to high school grades. Teens are welcome to  
bring and share their own board games as  
well. Reservation Required.  
Participant Limit: 30  
Teens

### **Snap Shot Day**

Thursday, April 7, 2016  
(2:00pm-4:00pm)  
Learn what happens in a single day in the  
library. How many books are checked out?  
How many people receive help finding a job?  
Doing their taxes? Doing their homework?  
Come and see what makes the library work  
and what you can do to support it. All Ages

### **Teen Poetry Slam**

Thursday, April 22, 2016 (4:00pm-5:00pm)  
Calling all teen poets! Come join us for a  
Poetry Slam, bring your favorite self-written  
poems to share, or read a poem from a well-  
known poet. Open to all middle school and  
high school students.

### **D.E.A.R. (Drop Everything and Read Day)**

Tuesday, April 12, 2016  
(3:00pm- 4:30pm)  
Forget your chores, troubles, and daily  
nuances and join us for an hour of reading.  
All ages

### **Crafteens**

Thursday, May 12, 2016  
(4:00pm-5:00pm)  
Are you a crafty teen, who is so there for DIY  
projects and exercising your creative  
expression? Well join us for Crafteens.  
Supplies will be provided.

### **National High Five Day**

Thursday, April 21, 2016  
(9:00am- 6:00pm)  
Join us as we give high fives throughout the  
day for good deeds, accomplishments or just  
give a high five for the fun of it! All ages

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# Allan Vigil Lincoln

6790 Mt Zion Boulevard, Morrow GA, 30260

Allan Vigil Ford Lincoln and Charles Drew High School are partnering to help raise up to \$8,000 in support of the National Art Honor Society as part of Lincoln's Driven to Give program. Members of Clayton County community will have the opportunity to raise money for Charles Drew High School by test-driving a Lincoln vehicle. For every person who test-drives an eligible Lincoln vehicle at this one-day event, Lincoln will donate \$20 to the National Art Honor Society. \*For every additional drive in the 2016 Lincoln Navigator and MKX, Lincoln will donate an additional \$20. To date, Lincoln dealerships and local communities across the United States have helped raised more than \$5 million for educational and charitable organizations thanks to their hard work and partnership with the Driven to Give program. With the funds raised at the Spring Fest event, they plan to provide more resources for the Art department.

**WHEN: APRIL 2, 2016**  
**@8:00AM - 3:00PM**

**PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THAT EACH TEST-DRIVE WILL LAST APPROXIMATELY FIVE TO TEN MINUTES.**

**WHERE: CHARLES DREW HIGH SCHOOL**  
**6237 GARDEN WALK BLVD. RIVERDALE, GA 30274**

**NOTES: PARTICIPANTS MUST BE 18 OR OLDER AND HAVE A VALID DRIVER'S LICENSE.**  
**LIMIT ONE TEST-DRIVE PER HOUSEHOLD.**

**INTERVIEWS ARE AVAILABLE WITH ALLAN VIGIL FORD REPRESENTATIVES. PLEASE CONTACT TERRI CASTLE AT 678-364-3119.**



\*Does not include test-drives conducted in Ford vehicles. One donation per household. Must be 18 years of age or older with a valid driver's license. About The Lincoln Motor Company. The Lincoln Motor Company is the luxury automotive brand of Ford Motor Company, committed to creating compelling vehicles with an exceptional ownership experience to match. For more information about The Lincoln Motor Company, please visit [media.lincoln.com](http://media.lincoln.com) or [www.lincoln.com](http://www.lincoln.com). Follow us on Facebook at [facebook.com/lincoln](http://facebook.com/lincoln).





### **Clayton County Government Contact Numbers**

(Here are some of our most requested numbers or services)

Animal Control	770-477-3509	Police/South Precinct	770-347-0260
Better Business Bureau	404-766-0875	Refuse Control (handles certain debris and trash on streets, removes dead animals from County roads)	770-477-3548
Board of Commissioners	770-477-3208	Senior Services	770-603-4050
Code Enforcement	678-610-4755	Sheriff (Non-Emergency)	770-471-1122
Community Development	770-477-3569	So. Regional Medical Center	770-991-8000
DFACS	770-473-2300	Tag Office	770-477-3331
Economic Development	770-477-4450	Tax Assessor (Prop .Values)	770-477-3285
Emergency	911	Tax Commissioner (Tax Bills)	770-477-3311
Health Department	678-610-7199	Transportation & Development (Public Works, Road Department/Pot Holes/Traffic Engineering)	770-477-3674
Parks and Recreation	770-477-3766	Water Authority	770-960-5200
Planning and Zoning	770-477-3577		

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### WE'RE HERE FOR YOU

AS A RESIDENT OF CLAYTON COUNTY DISTRICT 3, YOU MAY BE FACED WITH CONCERNS OR ISSUES THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO HAVE ADDRESSED.

WE WORK WITH OUR CITIZENS TO RESOLVE CONCERNS INVOLVING COUNTY GOVERNMENT, EXPLAIN COUNTY PROGRAMS, EXPEDITE GOVERNMENT ACTION AND SERVE AS LIAISON BETWEEN OUR DEPARTMENTS AND THE PUBLIC.

HOURS OF OPERATION  
8AM-5PM (M-F)

### Questions/Concerns/Comments

Please contact :

Steven VanDyke - Constituent Aide

Phone: 770-473-5465

Email:

[steven.vandyke@claytoncountyga.gov](mailto:steven.vandyke@claytoncountyga.gov)

Please contact us to be added or removed from our email list.

## Board Meetings

Board meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday evening of the month at 7pm .

112 Smith Street

Jonesboro, GA 30236

770) 477-3208

## The Next First Saturday Talk

### June 4, 2016

South Clayton Recreation Center

1837 McDonough Rd. , Hampton GA 30228

10:00 am—12:00 pm

### Clayton County Government's Top Five Communication Resources



#### Website

[www.ClaytonCountyGa.gov](http://www.ClaytonCountyGa.gov)

#### CCTV-23

Clayton County Access Television  
Comcast Channel 23

#### Mobile Community

Text the word "CLAYTON" to 22828  
to receive monthly emails

#### Facebook

[Facebook.com/ClaytonCountyGeorgia](https://www.facebook.com/ClaytonCountyGeorgia)  
[#claytoncountyga](https://www.facebook.com/claytoncountyga)

#### Twitter

[Twitter.com/ClaytonCountyGa](https://twitter.com/ClaytonCountyGa)  
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